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To the Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement of 23 June 2006, the Examiner requested election under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between two inventions shown in Applicants' disclosure. The Examiner contended that the inventions are:

- I. Claims 1-8 and 15-20 drawn to a system comprising a solid medium including catholyte particles, classified in class 429, subclass 27.
- II. Claims 9-14, drawn to a method of making a catholyte solution, classified in class 429, subclass 15.

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The Examiner contended that the solid medium including catholyte particles of Invention I does not need to be made solely by the method of Invention II.

Applicants provisionally elect the apparatus of Invention I claimed in claims 1-8 and 15-20 while reserving the right to file an additional patent application on Invention II, claims 9-14.

The Examiner is invited to telephone Jean-Paul A. Nasser, Attorney for Applicants, at 401-832-4736 if, in the opinion of the Examiner, such a telephone call would serve to expedite the prosecution of the subject patent application.

Respectfully submitted, STEVEN P. TUCKER, et al.

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